



Cattle Inventory

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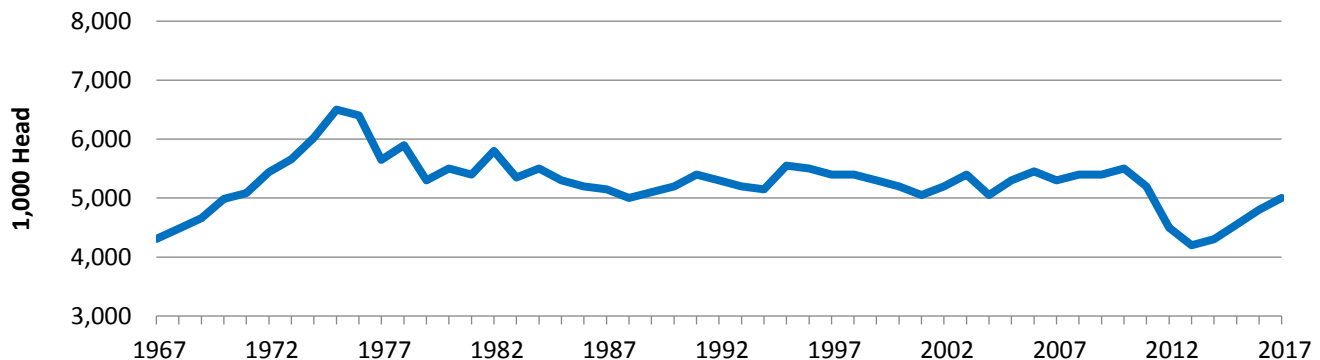
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Estimates in this report are the result of data collected during the January Cattle Survey from a random sample of producers across the nation. Survey procedures ensured that all cattle producers, regardless of size, had a chance to be included in the survey. Data provided by Oklahoma and Texas producers are the foundation of these estimates for the Southern Plains Region. We would like to thank all who responded to the survey and made these estimates possible.

Inventory and calf crop estimates for the previous year were also reviewed using official slaughter data, import and export data, and the relationship of the current survey indications to previous surveys. Prior year inventory items and calf crop were revised at the U.S. level and in most states.

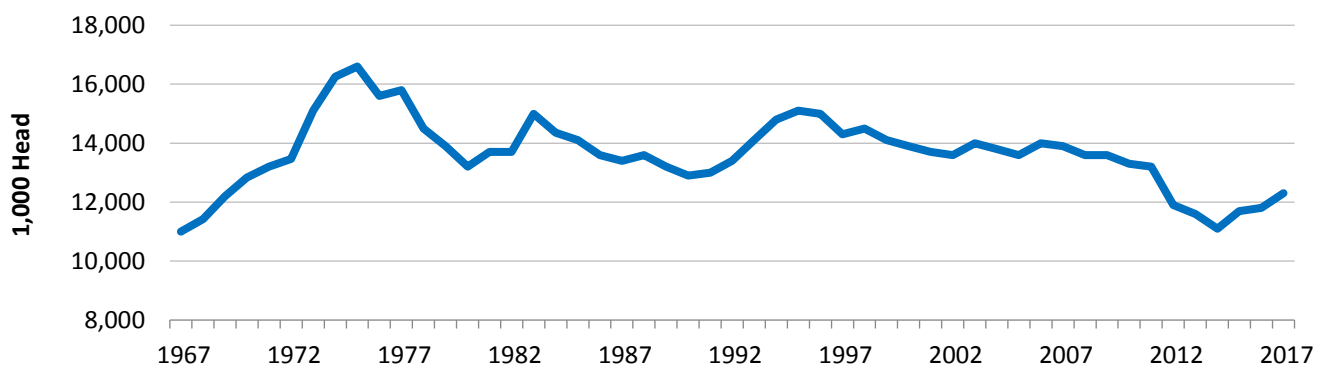
The inventory of Oklahoma cattle and calves totaled 5.00 million head on January 1, 2017, up 4 percent from last year's inventory. Oklahoma makes up over 5 percent of the total United States inventory.

Oklahoma All Cattle Inventory



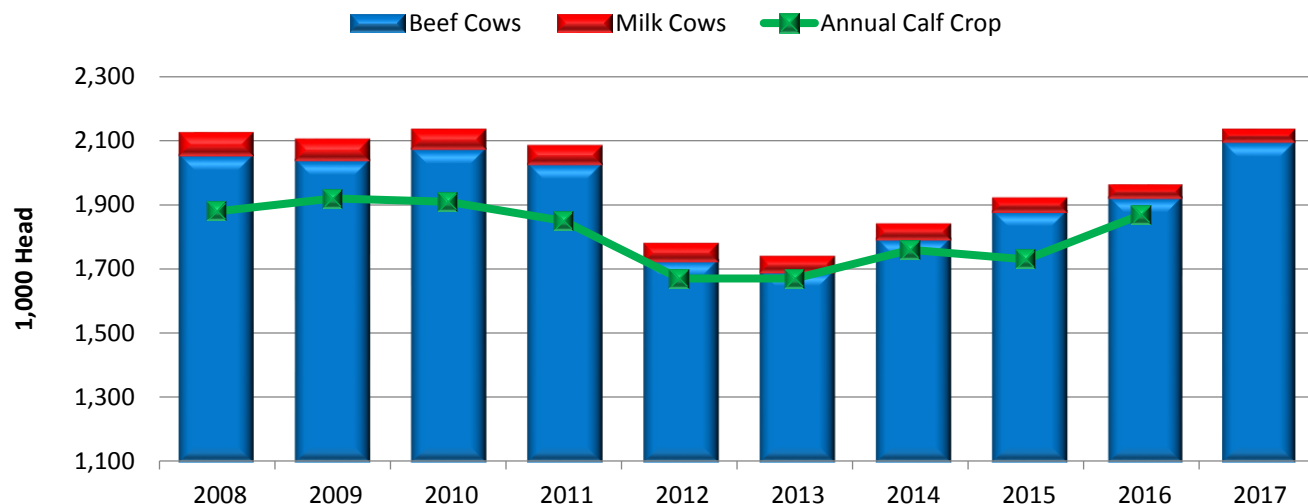
The inventory of Texas cattle and calves totaled 12.3 million head on January 1, 2017, up 4 percent from last year's inventory. Texas continues to rank first in the nation in total number of cattle and calves with over 13 percent of the total United States inventory.

Texas All Cattle Inventory



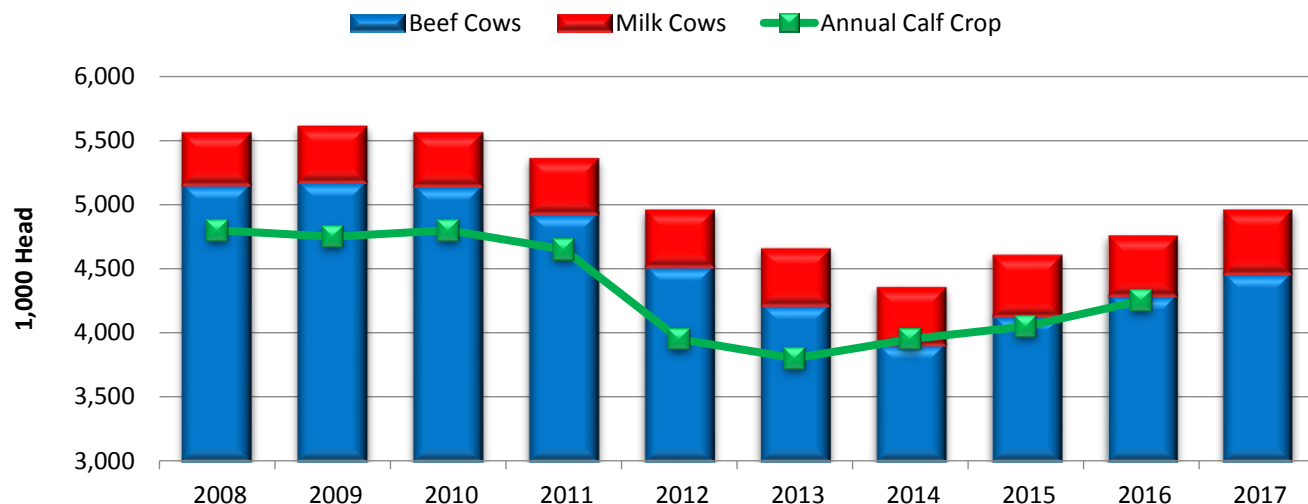
Total inventory of all cows that have calved in Oklahoma was 2.13 million head, 9 percent above last year's total. Beef cow inventory, at 2.10 million head, was up 9 percent from 2016. Milk cow inventory, at 35.0 thousand head, was down 2 thousand head from the 2016 total of 37.0 thousand head.

Oklahoma Cow Inventory and Calf Crop



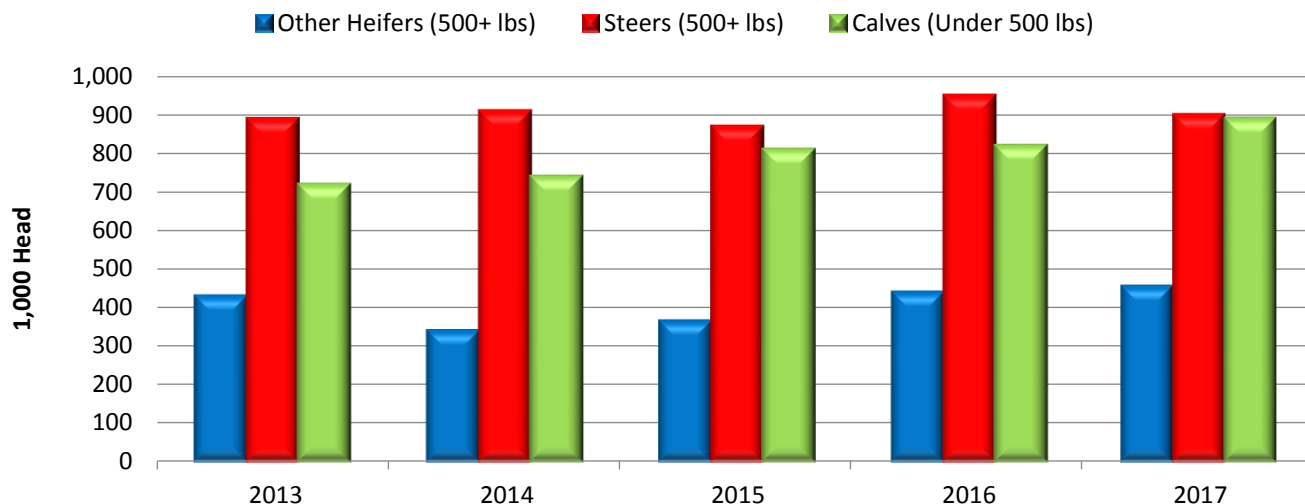
Total inventory of all cows that have calved in Texas was 4.95 million head, 4 percent above last year's total. Beef cow inventory, at 4.46 million head, was up 4 percent from 2016. Milk cow inventory, at 490 thousand head, was up 30 thousand head from the 2016 total of 460 thousand head.

Texas Cow Inventory and Calf Crop



Inventory of all heifers 500 pounds and over in Oklahoma totaled 920 thousand on January 1, 2017, 1 percent below 2016. Beef replacement heifers, at 445 thousand head, is 3 percent lower than 2016. Milk replacement heifers totaled 20.0 thousand head, down 20 percent from last year.

Oklahoma Feeder Cattle Supply



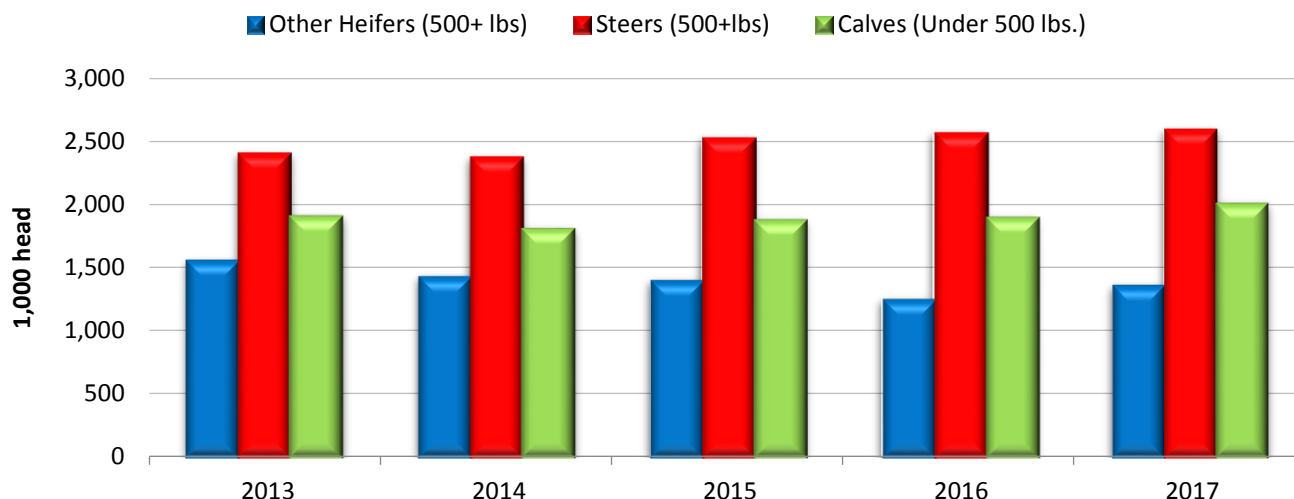
Oklahoma inventory of steers 500 pounds and over totaled 900 thousand head on January 1, 2017, down 5 percent from last year. Inventory of calves less than 500 pounds, at 890 thousand head, is 9 percent above last year's total. The 2016 calf crop totaled 1.87 million head, 8 percent higher than the 2015 calf crop.

Oklahoma January Cattle Inventory and Calf Crop

Item	2015	2016	2017	Percent of Previous Year
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>percent</i>
All Cattle and Calves	4,550	4,800	5,000	104
Cows & Heifers that have calved	1,920	1,960	2,130	109
Beef Cows	1,880	1,923	2,095	109
Milk Cows	40	37	35	95
Heifers 500 pounds and over	810	925	920	99
Beef Replacement	420	460	445	97
Milk Replacement	25	25	20	80
Other Heifers	365	440	455	103
Steers 500 pounds and over	870	950	900	95
Bulls 500 pounds and over	140	145	160	110
Calves under 500 pounds	810	820	890	109
Calf Crop	1,730	1,870		108

Inventory of all heifers 500 pounds and over in Texas totaled 2.42 million on January 1, 2017, 6 percent above 2016. Beef replacement heifers, at 810 thousand head, is 3 percent higher than 2016. Milk replacement heifers totaled 260 thousand head, up 4 percent from last year.

Texas Feeder Cattle Supply



Texas inventory of steers 500 pounds and over totaled 2.59 million head on January 1, 2017, up 1 percent from last year. Inventory of calves less than 500 pounds, at 2.00 million head, is 6 percent above last year's total. The 2016 calf crop totaled 4.25 million head, 5 percent higher than the 2015 calf crop.

Texas January Cattle Inventory and Calf Crop

Item	2015	2016	2017	Percent of Previous Year
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>percent</i>
All Cattle and Calves	11,700	11,800	12,300	104
Cows & Heifers that have calved.....	4,600	4,750	4,950	104
Beef Cows	4,130	4,290	4,460	104
Milk Cows	470	460	490	107
Heifers 500 pounds and over	2,390	2,280	2,420	106
Beef Replacement	750	790	810	103
Milk Replacement	250	250	260	104
Other Heifers	1,390	1,240	1,350	109
Steers 500 pounds and over.....	2,520	2,560	2,590	101
Bulls 500 pounds and over	320	320	340	106
Calves under 500 pounds.....	1,870	1,890	2,000	106
Calf Crop	4,050	4,250		105

U.S. Highlights: The United States inventory of all cattle and calves totaled 93.6 million head on January 1, 2016, 2 percent above last year's inventory of 91.9 million head.

All cows and heifers that have calved totaled 40.6 million head, up 3 percent from the 39.5 million on January 1, 2015. Beef cows totaled 31.2 million head, up 3 percent from a year ago, while milk cows were up slightly from a year ago at 9.35 million head. Beef replacement heifers, at 6.42 million head, were up 1 percent from the previous year. Milk replacement heifer numbers were down 1 percent to 4.75 million head. The 2016 calf crop was estimated at 35.1 million head, up 3 percent from 2015.

United States Cattle Inventory and Calf Crop¹

Item	2015	2016	2017	Percent of Previous Year
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>percent</i>
All Cattle and Calves	89,143	91,918	93,585	102
Cows & Heifers that have calved	38,609	39,476	40,559	103
Beef Cows	29,302	30,166	31,210	103
Milk Cows	9,307	9,310	9,349	100
Heifers 500 pounds and over	19,261	19,907	20,052	101
Beef Replacement	6,086	6,340	6,419	101
Milk Replacement	4,710	4,814	4,754	99
Other Heifers	8,464	8,753	8,879	101
Steers 500 pounds and over	15,630	16,315	16,354	100
Bulls 500 pounds and over	2,109	2,142	2,234	104
Calves under 500 pounds	13,534	14,077	14,386	102
Calf Crop.....	34,087	35,083		103

¹ Totals may not add due to rounding

Link to the US report: <http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/MannUsda/viewDocumentInfo.do?documentID=1017>